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13 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
14 FOR THE CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA
15 WESTERN DIVISION

16 UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,) No.: CV 15-05962-SJO (AGRx)
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Plaintiff,)
18 vs.) **CONSENT JUDGMENT**
19 TWO LLADRO SCULPTURES,)
20 Defendant.)
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MACY'S, INC. AND MACY'S)
22 MERCHANDISING GROUP, INC.,)
23 Claimants.)
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1 1. Plaintiff United States of America (the "government")
2 and claimants Macy's, Inc. and Macy's Merchandising Group, Inc.
3 (collectively, "Claimants") have entered into a stipulated
4 request for the entry of this consent judgment of forfeiture
5 resolving all interests the Claimants may have in the defendant
6 Two Lladro Sculptures.

7 2. This civil forfeiture action was commenced on August
8 6, 2015. The Claimants filed a verified claim and answer as to
9 the defendant asset on November 3, 2015. The Court ordered a
10 default judgment against the interests of Suraj A. Patel and
11 Rudy Rampertab, and all unknown potential claimants on August 26,
12 2016. No other claims or answers were filed, and the time for
13 filing claims and answers have expired.

14 3. The Court has been duly advised of and has considered
15 the matter. Based upon the mutual consent of the parties hereto
16 and good cause appearing therefor, the Court hereby **ORDERS,**
17 **ADJUDGES AND DECREES** that (A) the defendant asset (Two Lladro
18 Sculptures) shall be returned to the Claimants.

19 4. The United States of America and its agencies, agents,
20 and officers (including employees and agents of Federal Bureau
21 of Investigation), have been released by the Claimants from any
22 and all claims, actions or liabilities arising out of or related
23 to this civil forfeiture action, including, without limitation,
24 any claim for attorneys' fees, costs or interest which may be
25 asserted on behalf of the Claimants against the United States of
26 America, whether pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 2465 or otherwise.

27 5. The Court finds that there was reasonable cause for
28 the institution of this action. This consent judgment shall be

1 construed as a certificate of reasonable cause pursuant to 28
2 U.S.C. § 2465.

3 6. Each of the parties shall bear its own fees and costs
4 in connection with this action.

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6 DATED: October 7, 2016

S. James Otero
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

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